

HOME COMFORT, WROUGHT STEEL RANGE.

Specially made to be the most perfect range of the present day. Refined wrought steel body and malleable iron top. Cracking forever done away with. Two special features are its beautiful baking and smooth operating qualities.

TESTIMONIALS

From Mayor W. J. Broatch.

We have used our Range about two years and are very much pleased with it.

From E. O. Hamilton, 408 S. 18th St.

Mother requested me to tell you that she is delighted with her range.

The following and many others have bought and are using the Home Comfort: C. F. Goodman, Druggist; Christ. Specht, Cornice maker; D. Fitzpatrick, Plumber. Sold only in Omaha by

W. F. STOETZEL,

1621 Howard Street

SATURDAY MARKET FIGURES.

The Bears Manipulate Wheat the Last Day of the Week.

LITTLE LIFE AT THE OPENING.

Corn Dull Most of the Session With Light Trading—A Weak Feeling in Provisions—General Quotations.

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—It was a bear day in the wheat pit. The market opened with so little life or activity that it seemed as if nothing would be done to-day and traders would be left free to attend to board politics. It was the dullest opening for weeks. All of the big traders on either side seemed to be out of the fight and a little listless trading was done by the scalpers. The arrival of the government crop report changed this. There was heavier trading, but not a considerable decline when it first appeared, the crowd refusing to believe the report authentic because of the unusual time of its coming. When they were satisfied on that point, however, there was a rush to sell and a speedy decline in prices. The feeling had been rather weak all the morning and prices had dragged somewhat, but when the first heavy selling began there was also good buying. Roam and Bloom were selling freely, but Hutchinson was a liberal buyer. The other buying was thought to be for Kent, and for the first time in months Armstrong's name was mentioned in connection with the wheat deal. It was said that he was buying the grain. About the only bulk arguments were light receipts and the approaching cold weather, which will call for unprotested wheat. And this, with the unfavorable foreign news and the crop reports, the latter being for the weightiest influence. May wheat opened at \$8c, and sagged slowly to \$84c, reacting to \$84c, dropped to \$84c advanced to \$84c, and then fell back to the neighborhood of \$84c, then down to \$84c, to close at \$84c. February, 40c; May, 51c. Oats—Steady with hardly any change to no cash, 31c; February, 31c; May, 44c.

gain in the latter was attributed to the fact that the January interest and dividends have gone into the banks and are held subject to check instead of being invested in securities, investors being inclined to go slow and look over the ground carefully before loading up with shares and bonds. The week has been a disappointment to the bulls and bears, the market being narrow and the January bulge has not materialized. There is still time for it, however, but large gains, as in years past, are not expected.

GOVERNMENTS—Government bonds were quiet but firm.

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS.

U. S. 4s registered, 125c; C. & N. W. U. S. 4s coupon, 125c; to be preferred, 140c; U. S. 4s registered, 125c; N. C. & St. L. 4s registered, 125c; N. O. R. 4s registered, 125c; Pacific 4s, 119c; O. T. 4s registered, 125c; Prairie Mail 4s registered, 125c; Chicago & Alton 4s registered, 125c; Pullman Palace Car Co. 4s registered, 125c; B. & Q. 4s registered, 125c; Reading 4s registered, 125c; Rock Island 4s registered, 111c; D. & R. G. 4s registered, 125c; S. & S. P. 4s registered, 125c; to be preferred, 125c; D. & W. 4s registered, 125c; C. & P. 4s registered, 125c; St. P. & O. 4s registered, 125c; K. & T. 4s registered, 125c; Lake Shore 4s registered, 125c; Texas Pacific 4s registered, 125c; N. M. & P. 4s registered, 125c; Michigan Central 4s registered, 125c; W. & L. & P. 4s registered, 125c; W. U. Telegraph 4s registered, 125c.

MONEY—On call east at 2.63 per cent; last loan 3 per cent; closed offered at 3 per cent.

PRIME MERCHANTILE PAPER—5½% to 7½% per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE—Active and firm, with actual business at \$4.83% for sixty day bills, and \$4.80% for demand.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—Following are the 2:30 closing prices:

Flour—Steady and unchanged, \$3.50¢/lb.; white spring wheat, \$3.50¢/lb.; buckwheat, \$3.50¢/lb. per bushel.

Wheat—More doing on a weak and declining market; opened about 1¢ higher than yesterday, closing became weak and after fluctuating, closed 1½¢ below yesterday's close; cash, 77¢40c; futures, 77¢40c; May, 81¢.

Corn—Quiet; prices show but little activity and fluctuated within narrow range; closing 1½¢ easier than yesterday; cash, 47¢50c; futures, 47¢50c; May, 51¢10c.

Oats—Steady with hardly any change to no cash, 31c; February, 31c; May, 44c.

Rye—Firm at 62c.

Barley—Firm at 72¢80c.

Prune—Steady—\$1.42 to 1.42¢.

Whisky—\$1.10.

Meat—Comparatively quiet and steady, with slight advance; cash, \$7.65; futures, \$7.65; May, \$7.65 to \$7.65.

Dry Salted Meats—Short ribs, \$7.50c; shoulder, \$8.10 to \$8.15; short clear, \$8.10c to \$8.15.

Butter—Unchanged; creamy, 23¢30c; butter, 23¢30c.

Cheese—Unchanged; full cream cheddars, \$1.61¢/lb.; rats, 11½¢ to 12½¢; young Americans, 11½¢ to 12½¢.

Eggs—Unchanged; fresh, 22¢32c.

Hides—Unchanged; green hides 5½¢; green frozen, 5½¢; hairy green, 5½¢; light frozen, 5½¢; green salted calf, 5½¢; dry flint and dry calf, 12½¢/lb.; branded, 5½¢; peacock, 30c; dry salted, 10c.

Tallow—Unchanged; No. 1 country solid, 32½¢; No. 2, 31½¢; cake, 4½¢.

Receipts, Shipments.

Cattle, 12 cars, N. W. C. & St. L. Chicago 18 cars, C. H. & Q. Chicago 18 cars, C. B. & Q. Chicago Sheep, 1 car, C. B. & Q. Chicago

LIVE STOCK.

Union Stock Yard, Chicago, Jan. 7.—The Drovers' Journal reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 2,000; market strong and 100 higher; beef steers, \$3.60¢/lb.; stockers and feeders, \$2.00¢/lb.; cows, bulls and milch cows, \$1.95¢/lb.; steers, \$1.95¢/lb.

Hogs—Receipts, 1,200; market strong; mixed, \$5.10¢/lb.; heavy, \$5.50¢/lb.; light, \$4.80¢/lb.; skinned, \$3.40¢/lb.

Sheep—Receipts, 1,500; market slow; inferior to choice, \$2.50¢/lb.; western, \$2.00¢/lb.; sheep, \$1.95¢/lb.

Commissaries—Cattle, 500; head; calves and yearlings, \$10 per car. Hogs and sheep: Single decks, 85; public inspection on hogs 15¢ per car. All sales unless otherwise stated per 100 lbs live weight.

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LIVE STOCK NOTES.

Lower. Hogs all sold.

Not many cattle here.

The hog market opened lower.

No sheep market worth mentioning.

Wm. Carter, of Stromsburg, was on the market with 450 hogs.

John Sandburg, of Oakland, was on the market with 450 hogs.

J. E. Thompson, of Western Iowa, was on the market yesterday.

J. H. Aldrich, of Fremont, marketed a load of hogs.

Mr. Bauer, of Union, was on the market with a load of light hogs.

W. H. Jeffery, of Ossage, was among those who were on the market with hogs.

J. E. Thompson, a heavy shipper from Council Bluffs, was over with hogs.

Joe Dixon, of Shelley, Ia., marketed a load of hogs. He came in to look after them.

R. B. Gammel, of Herman, marketed two loads of hogs, one load bringing the top price.

Mr. Hunt, of Papillion, sold a load of 900-pound sheep, Texas and natives mixed, at \$2.80¢/lb.

Mr. Lowry, of the firm of Lowry & Mitchell, of Lincoln, was among the visitors at the yards.

Charles Hecht, of Laramie, was on the market yesterday with thirteen loads of hay fed western cattle.

No public telephone station has been opened in the Mississ. Falls office opposite the Exchange building, with a view to those who wish to use the telephone an opportunity to do so without troubling someone else by using their instrument.

Dorsey Bros. & Clifton is the style of a new commission firm which has made arrangements to open up Monday. The members of the firm are George W. Dorsey, H. H. Dorsay and C. C. Clifton. They will conduct provisions a stronger feeling held con-

cerning the hog receipts were held for the last day of the week, the bull party supported the trade in a vigorous manner, and the market was the crop report of the start. Houses supposed to represent English partners were free buyers, and after a little depression early better prices were the rule. Based on last night's closing price, a rise of 1½¢ and an advance of 10¢/lb. in the 40c and above.

May, 51c. May was again the favorite future in the trading which was quite active.

For May closed at \$15.50, lard at \$7.95¢/lb. and short ribs at \$8.10. The nearer futures for pork were almost inactive and for short ribs and lard only moderately active.

CHICAGO LIVE STOCK.

Chicago, Jan. 7.—[Special Telegram to the Bee.]—Cattle—The week rounds up, after all, much more favorable than the outlook Thursday, when prices dropped 15¢/lb., rallying again on Friday with the entire loss made up, so that after the sudden up and down turns there are about the same as a week ago. It is expected that the advance of Friday, 15¢/lb., will continue to day, when the large number of cattle that are waiting near by for a favorable turn. A large number of telegrams were sent to-day and yesterday ordering in cattle for the early part of next week. Native butchers' stock are not much more favored than the out-

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